They lend money on business lines. For all these reasons direct lending by Government is not possible.

(h) The question is unintelligible.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—(b) Had the Department nothing to do by way of initiative?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—The initiative must come from the people.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—The initiative never starts from the Government?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—Not in this case.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—The reasons for it ?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—This is a popular movement.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—(c) Do you want to abolish the comparative and superlative degrees ?

President.—What is your question, please?

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—My question was which was better for the economic welfare, the credit societies or the industrial societies?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—Government are not aware.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—But the answer given is that they are good in their own way. (d) Are not those who lead the activities of the department mainly responsible ?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—The question is the officer responsible for the defects and the answer is 'none'.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—(g) Am I to understand that the Government should have no control where they pay hard cash?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—I do not understand the question.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—A large amount of Government money is in the Central Banking Institution and the smaller individual societies take money from the Central Bank and thus a portion of the Government money goes to the individual societies. Whether Government should have no control over these individual societies ?

President.—That question has no relation to control.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—(f) Does a portion of these funds find their way to the different societies ?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—Yes.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—(h) Is it Latin.

Ayurvedic System.

157. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether they have taken any steps to encourage the Ayurvedic system of treatment after the last Budget Session;

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(2) if the answer is in the affirmative, what they are?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—(1) The matter is engaging the attention of the Government.

(2) No answer is necessary in view of the answer to (1) above.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know how long the matter was under the consideration of the Government?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—Since the Budget Session.

Location of the Maharaja's College—election issue.

158. **Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the number of members returned after contest in the last General Election to the Legislative Council;

(2) whether they or any other candidates had issued manifestos; and if so whether in any of them the question of the location of the College was raised as an issue;

(3) how the Government came to know that "during the Election period the question (of the location of the Maharaja's College) was an issue before the Electors." Vide Proceedings of the Diwan of Cochin regarding the location of the Maharaja's College, dated 27th October 1931?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—(1) 12.

(2) No information.

(3) There was a discussion regarding the location of the College in the Vrischigam Session of the Council in 1106 and the Government appointed a Committee on 16th December 1930 to go into the question. The subject was therefore before the public.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Does the Government know whether as a matter of fact this question was expressly placed before the electors by any member?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—I do not know.

Diwan's visits to Hill Palace.

159. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state in a tabular form (a) the number of visits paid by each of the Diwans of Cochin to the Hill Palace every month for the last 12 years as far as information is available and (b) what are the reasons for the comparatively small number of visits by the present Diwan?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—(a) Available information is appended (*Appendix VII.*)

(b) There are no special reasons.

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